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Madrid, October 27.

THE 25th Inſtant being the Queen of Spain's Birth-Day, when ſhe entred into the 30th Year of her Age, there was a very numerous and ſplendid Appearance of the Nobility at the Eſcurial, to make their Compliments on that Occaſion. The Court is expected here very ſhortly, by that Time the Duke of St. Simon is ready to make his publick Entry into this City. Till his Arrival the Day of the Infanta Queen of France's ſetting out on her Journey, ſeems to be unfixed: Their Catholick Majeſties deſign to accompany her as far as Burgos: In the mean while all the neceſſary Preparations are making for the Journey. Mr. Stanhope, His Britannick Majeſty's Ambaſſadour, will accompany their Catholick Majeſties to Burgos; their Majeſties having intimated to his Excellency, that his taking that Journey with them would be very acceptable to them. On the 24th Inſtant, Prince Pio arrived here from Barcelona, and the next Day repaired to the Court at the Eſcurial; where the Duke of Giovenazzo is alſo arrived from his Government of Caſtille. We have Advice by an Expreſs from Pampelona, that the Prince of Caſtillon Viceroy of Navarre, is dead there after three Days Sickneſs. The Marqueſs de Lede is gone back to Catalonia, to compleat the Reform of the Troops quartered in that Principality; the Government of which will it is believed be conferred upon him in the Room of Prince Pio. The King and Queen have made a Preſent, each of their Pictures, ſet in Diamonds to a great Value, to the Marqueſs de Maulevrier the French Miniſter, in Conſideration of the Marriages agreed between the two Royal Families.

Paris, Nov. 19. On the 16th Inſtant at Three a-Clock in the Afternoon, the Dutcheſs Dowager of Orleans, accompanied by the Duke Regent, the Dutcheſs of Orleans, the Duke of Chartres, Mademoiſelle de Montpenſier, and Meſdeſmoiſelles de Beaujollois, and of Chartres, went to the Palace of the Tuilleries, in order to ſign in the King's Preſence, the Contract of Marriage between Mademoiſelle her Grand-Daughter and the Prince of Aſturias: And the two Spaniſh Ambaſſadours being likewiſe come to the Tuilleries, with the ſame Ceremonies as were obſerved at the Duke d'Oſſuna's publick Audience; the Cardinal du Bois required M. de Maurepas, Secretary of State, to read the Articles of the ſaid Contract: Which being done, his Majeſty ſigned them on one ſide, and under him all the Princes and Princeſſes of the Blood, and on the other ſide the two Spaniſh Ambaſſadours. There was on that Occaſion a very numerous Court, and almoſt all the foreign Miniſters were preſent. About Five a-Clock in the Afternoon the Dutcheſs Dowager of Orleans being returned to the Palais Royal with her Grand-Daughters, the King went thither to viſit her Royal Highneſs, and Mademoiſelle de Montpenſier, and his Majeſty, with all the Princes and Princeſſes of the Blood, went to the Opera of Phaeton; after which his Majeſty returned to the Tuilleries, and about Ten a-Clock at Night came back to the Palais Royal to the Ball, where his Majeſty danced with all the Princeſſes of the Blood, and retired about Midnight; after which all the Masks were let in, and the Ball laſted till Six a-Clock in the Morning. On the 18th in the Morning Mademoiſelle de Montpenſier ſet out for Spain, accompanied by the Duke Regent and the Duke of Chartres, who came back at Night, and by Mademoiſelle de Ventadour, the Princeſs of Soubize, the Princeſs of Rohan, Marchioneſs of Chiverney, Meſdames de la Lande and de Villefort, and the reſt of the Ladies who are appointed to receive the Infanta upon the Frontiers of Spain. The Spaniſh Ambaſſadour went likewiſe to accompany that Princeſs ſome Leagues out of Town. A Detachment of 50 Life Guards attend her upon the Road, commanded by M. de Billardie Lieutenant, and ſeveral other Officers; together with a Guard of 12 Swiſs and ſome other Officers of the King's Houſhold. A Council has been held lately on Account of conſiderable Quantities of Merchandize lying at Marſeilles and in other Cities in Provence where the Plague has been; and it has been reſolved to cauſe them to be tranſported without unpacking, to the Iſlands of Iff ſituate over-againſt Marſeilles, in order to be aired there; and Sheds are ordered to be built to ſhelter them from the Rain.

Whitehall, Nov. 11. 1721.

The Houſe of Commons of Ireland having by their Addreſs this Seſſion, bearing Date the 28th of October laſt, repreſented to his Grace the Duke of Grafton, Lord Lieutenant of that Kingdom, the great Neceſſity there is, during the preſent Infection abroad, for the immediate Attendance of all Military Officers who are upon the Eſtabliſhment of Ireland, and are now out of the ſaid Kingdom; This is therefore to give Notice to all ſuch Military Officers, That it is His Majeſty's Pleaſure, they do immediately repair to their reſpective Poſts in Ireland, as they will anſwer the contrary at their Peril, ſuch only excepted as ſhall have obtained His Majeſty's ſpecial Licence of Abſence. CARTERET.

South-Sea Houſe, Nov. 10, 1721.

Whereas by a late Act of Parliament the Eſtates Real and Perſonal of the late Directors of the South-Sea Company, and others, are veſted in Truſtees for the Uſes in the ſaid Act mentioned, the ſaid Truſtees, in order that Perſons concerned may avoid the Penalties contained in the ſaid Act, and may know the Rewards they are to recieve for the Diſcoveries by them to be made, have thought fit to Advertize, that (among other things) it is by the ſaid Act enacted, That all Perſons having any Debt contracted before the 5th of January 1720, juſtly due to them from the ſaid late Directors and others, or having any particular Eſtate in Law or Equity out of the Eſtates veſted in the ſaid Truſtees, under any Conveyance made before the ſaid 5th of January, may in ſuch manner as the ſaid Act directs, enter their Claims before the ſaid Truſtees at their Publick Office, any time before the 25th of December next, and that in default thereof every ſuch Debt, Eſtate, &c. ſhall be null and void: And that it is alſo enacted, That every Perſon being indebted to the ſaid late Directors, &c. ſhall on or before the 25th of December next, give Not thereof to the ſaid Truſtees at their Publick Office, or that there is ſome Account depending between them, on pain of forfeiting the Value of the Money due: And that every Perſon having in his Power, or Cuſtody, any Goods or Chattels which belonged to any of the ſaid late Directors, &c. ſhall give Notice thereof in Writing, upon pain of like Forfeiture: And that all Tenants under the ſaid